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In re the Application of: **Masahiro KANDA**

Group Art Unit: 2831

Serial No.: 10/050,170

Examiner: **Chau N. Nguyen**

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P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 7598

For: **WATERPROOF CONNECTOR AND RUBBER STOPPER THEREOF**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 30, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 31, 2002**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 2 has follows:

2. (Amended) The rubber stopper set forth in claim 1 wherein the material bonding the covering layer to the rubber stopper is an oleo-rubber that includes an organic rubber as a major constituent and at least one of di-2-ethylhexyl phthalate and a high-grade alcohol phthalate.

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